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Re: Petition of MCImetro Access Transmission Services, LLC for Arbitration of Certain Terms and Conditions of Proposed Agreement With BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. Concerning Interconnection and Resale Under the Telecommunications Act of 1996
PSC 2005-00371

Dear Ms. O'Donnell:

Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned case are the original and ten (10) copies of Joint Motion for Procedural Schedule.

Very truly yours,



Dorothy J. Chambers

Enclosure

cc: Parties of Record

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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In Re:

Petition of MCImetro Access Transmission)
Services, LLC for Arbitration of Certain)
Terms And Conditions of Proposed Agreement) Case No. 2005-00371
with BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.)
Concerning Interconnection and Resale Under)
the Telecommunications Act of 1996)

JOINT MOTION FOR PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth"), and MCImetro Access Transmission Services, LLC ("MCI"), jointly request the Kentucky Public Service Commission ("Commission") continue the hearing of this matter and all pre-hearing deadlines and filing requirements for the following reasons:

1. The parties jointly request a continuance of this hearing date, as well as all pre-hearing deadlines and filing requirements because of the pending merger between MCI and Verizon, which is expected to close soon. Upon completion of the merger, MCI will need to assess the contract language in dispute and evaluate whether any of its positions on the issues in this case should be modified. If there are such instances MCI will inform BellSouth and the Commission of the modifications.

2. As part of MCI's evaluation, it intends to review whether it may be possible to resolve issues on which the parties previously had reached impasse. The parties have set aside four days for face-to-face negotiations in hopes of resolving such issues.

3. This request is made jointly; thus no party would be prejudiced. The Commission's staff attorney has been advised of the request and has expressed no opposition. With a continuance, moreover, the parties hope to conserve the Commission's and the parties' time and resources by using the extension period to negotiate the resolution of several issues and remove them from the arbitration.

4. Accordingly, the parties jointly propose that the hearing be scheduled for August 30-31, 2006, and respectfully request that, if the Commission's schedule permits, the Commission set the remaining deadlines and filings as follows:

March 3, 2006	Parties to file a revised matrix with the Commission to identify any modified or new positions.
May 24, 2006	Parties to file Direct Testimony
July 10, 2006	Parties to file Rebuttal Testimony
August 30-31, 2006	Hearing

WHEREFORE, BellSouth and MCI respectfully request that the Commission schedule the hearing for August 30-31, 2006, and that the Commission set all remaining pre-hearing deadlines and filings. In addition, BellSouth and MCI request that the Commission allow the parties to file a revised matrix on March 3, 2006.

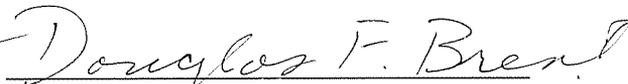
Respectfully submitted, this 5th day of January, 2006.

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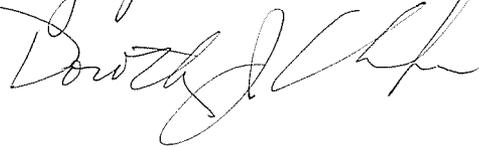

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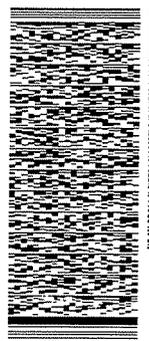
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